

**CLAIMS**

What is claimed is:

1. A ring for removing a cap from a bottle, said ring being wearable on a finger and comprising a circumferential band defining an axially oriented opening for receiving said finger therethrough, said band having a first band portion positionable on one side of said finger, said first band portion having an axially facing edge positioned at one end of said band, said edge being engageable with said cap for removal thereof from said bottle by applying a prying action with said finger thereto, said band further having a second band portion positioned substantially opposite said first band portion, said second band portion having a greater width than said first band portion for engaging an opposite side of said finger and distributing forces along said finger resulting from said prying action.

2. A ring according to Claim 1, further comprising a tab mounted on said first band portion at said one end and extending outwardly in an axial direction therefrom, said cap engaging edge being positioned along said tab.

3. A ring according to Claim 1, further comprising a notch positioned along said first band portion at said one end thereof, said cap engaging edge being positioned along said notch.

4. A ring according to Claim 3, wherein said notch has a curvature sized to accommodate said cap.

5. A ring according to Claim 1, wherein said first and second band portions each have respective center points measured axially along said band, said center point of said second band portion being axially offset from said center point of said first band portion.

6. A ring according to Claim 5, wherein said center point of said second band portion is approximately diametrically opposite to said cap engaging edge of said first band portion.

7. A ring according to Claim 1, wherein said second band portion includes an outwardly facing surface adapted to display indicia thereon.

8. A ring according to Claim 7, wherein said indicia are embossed on said surface.

9. A ring according to Claim 7, wherein said indicia are mounted on said surface.

10. A ring according to Claim 7, wherein said indicia are engraved on said surface.

11. A ring for removing a cap from a bottle, said ring being wearable on a finger and comprising a circumferential band defining an axially oriented opening for receiving said finger therethrough, said band having a first band portion positionable on one side of said finger, said first band portion having a tab extending axially outwardly from one end of said band, said tab having an axially facing edge engageable with said cap for removal thereof from said bottle by

applying a prying action with said finger thereto, said band further having a second band portion positioned substantially opposite said first band portion, said second band portion having a greater width than said first band portion for engaging an opposite side of said finger and distributing forces along said finger resulting from said prying action.

12. A ring according to Claim 11, wherein said first and second band portions each have respective center points measured axially along said band, said center point of said second band portion being axially offset from said center point of said first band portion.

13. A ring according to Claim 12, wherein said center point of said second band portion is approximately diametrically opposite to said cap engaging edge of said first band portion.

14. A ring according to Claim 11, wherein said second band portion includes an outwardly facing surface adapted to display indicia thereon.

15. A ring according to Claim 14, wherein said indicia are embossed on said surface.

16. A ring according to Claim 14, wherein said indicia are mounted on said surface.

17. A ring according to Claim 14, wherein said indicia are engraved on said surface.

18. A ring for removing a cap from a bottle, said ring being wearable on a finger and comprising a circumferential band defining an axially oriented opening for receiving said finger therethrough, said band having a first band portion positionable on one side of said finger, said first band portion having a tab extending axially outwardly from one end of said band, said tab having an axially facing edge engageable with said cap for removal thereof from said bottle by applying a prying action with said finger thereto, said band further having a second band portion positioned substantially opposite said first band portion, said second band portion having a greater width than said first band portion on an opposite side of said finger side of said finger opposite said first band portion and distributing forces along said finger resulting from said prying action, said first and second band portions each having respective center points measured axially along said band, said center point of said second band portion being axially offset from said center point of said first band portion.

19. A ring according to Claim 18, wherein said center point of said second band portion is approximately diametrically opposite to said cap engaging edge of said first band portion.

20. A ring according to Claim 18, wherein said second band portion includes an outwardly facing surface adapted to display indicia thereon.

21. A ring according to Claim 20, wherein said indicia are embossed on said surface.

22. A ring according to Claim 20, wherein said indicia are mounted on said surface.

23. A ring according to Claim 20, wherein said indicia are engraved on said surface.

24. A ring for removing a cap from a bottle, said ring being wearable on a finger and comprising a circumferential band defined by first and second edges, said band having a cap engaging portion along said first edge, said cap engaging portion being positionable beneath a finger inserted within said ring and being engageable with said cap for removal of the cap from the bottle by application of a prying action by said finger, said band having a finger engaging projection extending from said first edge toward the tip of the finger axially beyond said cap engaging portion, said projection being disposed opposite to said cap engaging portion and being engageable with the upper surface of the finger for distributing prying forces along said finger resulting from said prying action.

25. A ring according to Claim 24, further comprising a tab mounted on said first edge and extending outwardly in an axial direction therefrom, said cap engaging portion being positioned along said tab.

26. A ring according to Claim 24, wherein said finger engaging projection has an outwardly facing surface adapted to display indicia thereon.

27. A ring according to Claim 26, wherein said indicia are embossed on said surface.

28. A ring according to Claim 26, wherein said indicia are mounted on said surface.

29. A ring according to Claim 26, wherein said indicia are engraved on said surface.